Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee on Young Women's Conference, January 4, 1922.
12:45 P.M.

Present: Mrs. Jennings, Mrs. Bennett, Miss Hodge, Mrs. Roys, Miss Dawson, Mrs. McCurdy Mrs. Stockwell, Miss Parker, Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Waid, Miss Miller, Mrs. Louderbough, Miss Purves, Miss Lobenstine, Miss Schultz, Miss Steinmets, Miss Kerr, and Mrs. Williams, Executive Secretary for the Foreign Board in the North Pacific District.

In order to save time, lunch was served for the Committee. Miss Hodge led in prayer. Mrs. Jennings urged that the members of the Committee be constantly in prayer for the success of the Conference plans.

Mrs. Jennings presented the resignation of Mrs. Louderbough as Chairman of the Program Committee, which was accepted with regret.

Committee on Personnel

Mrs. McCurdy, Chairman, reported that the Committee had after much discussion and correspondence, a list of 43 names to present. The members of the Committee were asked to send to the Chairman any comments on the names presented or suggestions of new names.

Mrs. Bennett asked for a restatement of the basis of choice, and Mrs. McCurdy reported that Personnel Committee in general has planned to have 18 from the Eastern, 17 from the Middle west, 12 from the far west states, 7 delegates at large, and 6 from the college group. As a further basis of choice, 2/3 of the delegates are to be experienced workers, a small proportion being older women, and a much larger number young workers. 1/3 of the delegates are to be unexperienced in our Presbyterian work.

Mrs. Jennings asked for the opinion of the members present on the personnel of the Conference. All agreed that we want the youthful point of view, and not too many whose opinions are already well-formed.

The Personnel Committee, in the light of the discussion was asked to continue the work of selecting the delegates.

Committee on Time and Place

Miss Purves read the letter received from Dr. Hawley of Park College in regard to the entertainment of the Conference. It was left to Miss Ogg, as Chairman, to take up further details and report at the next meeting.

Mrs. Roys asked if the dates 3-5 were so definitely settled that they could not be changed to 2-4 in order to fit into the schedule of meetings during May.

Moved that the final selection of dates be left with power to Miss Purves Miss Dawson and Mrs. Roys. Carried.

Committee on Program

Miss Purves, Chairman, reported that the questionnaire has been sent out to over 400 people - and that 138 replies have been received. Of this number 53 were from synodical and presbyterial secretaries and 63 from local leaders.

The following general and very flexible program has been suggested.

First Day

A.M.	Background	Mrs. Bennett

Y.W. Point of View   A delegate

P.M.   Group Discussions

Evening: The Church and the Task - A minister.

Second Day.
A.M. The World and the Field (Mrs. Waid
) Mrs. Roys.
P.M. Group Discussions
Evening: The Girl and the Task - Miss Slattery (?)
or
Survey of the World (Pictures) - Dr. Ernest Hall.

Third Day.
A.M. Missionary Talks both Home and Foreign.
P.M. United forum with open discussion.
Evening: Findings of the Conference.
Closing Devotional Message - Mrs. Roys.

Mr. Rogers of Kansas City has been well recommended for the first evening address

Miss Miller suggested that more time might be given for the Findings. The Program Committee is to consider having the Findings presented just before lunch on the last day, with discussion on them at the afternoon session.

Miss Purves asked for suggestions for the devotional periods - whether it was better to have one leader for all or a different leader each day. It was suggested that the Committee make a general plan, with such a thame as "World Service" having different leaders each day.

Miss Purves said that there is a possibility of Miss Slattery's being able to attend, and asked for advice about the second evening.

Moved that the Program Committee bring in definite recommendations at the next meeting.

Expenses of the Conference

Miss Ogg had an estimate of travel expenses for the 60 delegates - $6,200. It was left to the Committee to find out the expense of entertainment at Park College, and the travel of the Board representatives and speakers, this total to be presented to the Home Board on Jan. 24th and the Executive Committee of the Foreign Board on Jan. 25th.

The meeting adjourned.

Marcia Kerr

Secretary protem.

The ad interim Committee met Tuesday, January 17, 1922. The meeting was called to order by the acting chairman, Miss Purves. Present: Miss Purves, Mrs. Landerbough, Mrs. Crosby, Mrs. McCurdy, Mrs. Bennett, Miss Hodge and Miss Ogg.

The following statement was prepared to be presented to the Woman's Board of Home Missions and the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions at their respective meetings:

Recognizing that we are today in the midst of great new movements in thought on social and religious lines, and that the missionary enterprise needs the strength, effort and consecration of the young women of the church, the Westminster Guild Committee felt that a conference of representative Presbyterian young women should be held. The consideration of such a conference was taken up by a Committee composed of representatives of the Young People's and Student Departments of the Boards, and it was decided to propose a conference to secure an expression of the [illegible]ice which the young women are ready at this time to give the church and the type of organization which they think might best further this end. It has been the feeling of the Committee that the Conference, to be "representative" of the Presbyterian young women and to tie together in its results all our groups, must have those who can speak for the following groups: College Girls, Business and Professional Girls; Young Women whose interests are social; Teen age Girls; Young Woman's Societies; Westminster Guild Chapters. That an exceedingly small number of unusual personalities among young girls who are volunteering for home and foreign service would be inspirational but that this must not be a large group for many reasons, the best being that they will so soon be away from the Home Base activities.

Further it was the plan of the Committee on Personnel to recognize in their choices three groups: Experienced Older Workers; Experienced Young Workers; Inexperienced Young Women desirable as leaders. With these things in mind, out of a suggested list of more than three hundred, the Committee has selected a list of nearly sixty, of whom seven are over thirty, the average age of the sixty being twenty-five. The list represents almost every State in the Union.

The Committee on the Conference having worked to this point, and the date being set for the first week in May, it is imperative that the invitations go out at once in order that we may supply other persons in the places of those who necessarily can not accept the invitation.

Park College was suggested as a meeting place as it would mean a saving of expense because of its proximity to the place of the Biennial and because it is a college and not a hotel. Negotiations with Park can not be concluded until the Conference is definitely decided upon.

The Program Committee plans the presentation of the background for the conference, the Home and Foreign field and the relationship of the girls to the work of the church and its missionary task. The subjects before the conference will be studied by commissions, with the idea of presenting findings from the delegates to the Boards. In the evenings there will be inspirational addresses.

Assuming that the meeting will be held at Park College, railroad expenses are roughly estimated at $6200., entertainment, postage and incidental expenses at $1800. The total would be $8000., $4000. for each Boards

The Young Woman's Conference Committee, therefore, recommends that the Boards approve the plans for the conference, authorize the expenditure not to exceed $8000., or $4000. from each Board, and authorize the Committee to proceed with their plans.

E. Jessie Ogg,
Secretary pro tem.

Minutes of Ad Interim Committee.

February 7,1922.

The Ad Interim Committee for the Young Women's Conference met on Tuesday,February 7th,at 3.30 P.M.,in Room 617,156 Fifth Avenue. Present: Mrs Louderbough,chairman,Mrs McCurdy,Miss Ogg,Mrs Cratty, Mrs Jennings,Miss Purves,and later in the afternoon,Miss Hodge and Miss Dawson.

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Mrs McCurdy and Mrs Louderbough.

Mrs Jennings brought a request from Mrs Roys for information as to whether field and district secretaries would be invited to attend the conference. After some discussion of this in relation to the whole question of Board representation at the conference,it was voted that Mrs Jennings should reply to Mrs Roys that in view of the ~~fact~~ large proportion of older people which the inclusion of field and district secretaries would bring to the conference,and,inasmuch as the results of the conference will not be transmitted to the field,but must come to the Boards for action,the committee feels that it is unnecessary to have district and field secretaries at the conference.

Miss Ogg reported that Dr.Hawley,President of Park College had written that it would be impossible to have the conference at Park.

A discussion of the place for the conference followed,and it was decided that Miss Ogg should be asked to write to McCormick Seminary, Chicago,Excelsion Springs,Mo.,and the Methodist Training School at Kansas City,and report her replies from these places to the Ad Interim Committee before the committee should take any further action on the place for the conference.

After much discussion of the dates for the conference,May 2-4,and the fact that there would be almost a week between the conference and the Biennials unless some change could be made in the schedule of events at Kansas City,it was suggested that Miss Dawson and Mrs Roys again take up the matter with the thought in mind that it would be advisable to make it possible for the young women at the conference to stay over for the Biennials,if such an arrangement was at all practicable.

Respectfully submitted,

Elinor K.Purves,
Acting Secretary.

Program Committee, Young Women's Conference

February 14, 1922

Present: Miss Purves, Mrs. Louderbough, Mrs. McCurdy, Miss Schultz, Miss Hodge, Miss Petrie and Miss Kerr. Miss Purves, Chairman.

Miss Purves, chairman, presided and led in prayer.

Report:

At the last meeting of the Program Committee it was voted to ask Dr. Robert Freeman of Pasadena to speak on "The Church and the Task". The second choice for that address was Dr. Gilkey of Chicago. The chairman was asked to investigate further the ministers in the vicinity of Kansas City. Dr. Maude Royden of London, who had been considered for the second night, has cancelled her later dates and will return to England before our conference.

Program Plans

Miss Purves presented the program plan.

First Day. Morning
   Conference background - Mrs. Bennett
   Y.W. Point of View - A delegate (?)
Afternoon.
   Group discussions.
Evening.
   The Church and the Task - A minister.

Second Day
Morning.
   The task - Foreign Mrs. Reys, Home Mrs. Waid.
Afternoon
   Group discussions.
Evening
   (?)

Third Day.
Morning.
   Findings of each group
   Discussion by the whole group.
Afternoon
   Findings of whole conference.
   Devotional Service.

The Chairman asked for suggestions for the second evening. Voted that we have missionaries speak the second evening with one missionary the second morning. Carried.

It was suggested that the delegates be asked to arrive the evening of the 1st, so that the first morning (on the 2nd session) will not be interrupted by arrivals. The first night could be used for an informal get-together.

In view of the fact that the delegates will be our guests the night of the 1st also the 2nd and 3rd, it was voted to close the conference at the end of the afternoon session on the 4th.

It was suggested that the program being carried out in California might be helpful in our program.

Voted to ask the Boards for the missionaries we would like to have as speakers as follows:

Foreign Board, Miss Mackenzie and Mrs. Wilder P Ellis of Persia;
Home Board: Miss Dingman and Miss Crawley.

Miss Cameron may be asked to lead [illegible] the Devotional Services.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Kerr.

Minutes of Ad Interim Committee.

The Ad Interim Committee for the Young Woman's Conference met on Wednesday February 15, at 10.30 A.M., in Room 617, 156 Fifth Avenue. Present: Mrs Louderbough, Miss Ogg, Mrs McCurdy, Miss Hodge, and Miss Purves.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Miss Purves.

Miss Ogg reported that an answer had come from McCormick Seminary saying that the students would still be using the dormitories on the dates of our conference, that the Methodist Home on Kansas City had replied that it was full to overflowing, and that Elm Springs Hotel had wired that all rooms were taken up to May 28th, but that a request had come from the Commercial Club of Kansas City, offering to take care of the conference. After some discussion Miss Ogg was requested to follow up the offer of the Commercial Club and find out what kind of accommodations it would offer, and, also, to consult Mrs Revell, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee for the Biennial in Kansas City, about accommodations in Kansas City, and to wire to the Elm Springs Hotel, Excelsior Springs, to see if May 2-4 dates were impossible.

Mrs McCurdy presented the list of names for the conference as completed by the Personnel Committee. These names were gone over, and it was voted that the report of the Personnel Committee be accepted and approved with much gratitude by the committee.

Mrs McCurdy brought up the question as to how the letters of invitation were to be signed, and it was voted that the Presidents of the two Boards be asked to sign the letters of invitation.

The matter of publicity for the conference was then brought up. Mrs McCurdy explained that there had been a good deal of publicity already, and asked how much more, if any, was desired by the committee. It was the sense of the committee that a certain amount of further publicity was desirable, and Mrs McCurdy outlined her plans. The following pieces of publicity were decided upon as follows:-

1. Articles in the April and May numbers of the Home Mission Monthly, Woman's Work, the spring numbers of the Westminster Guild Bulletin, and the Young Woman's Bulletin of the Foreign Board, these articles to give a general outline of the plan and purpose of the conference.
2. An outline of the program and purpose of the conference, and a request for prayer, to go to all Synodical and Presbyterial Secretaries for W.G., and Y.W. Societies, this letter to be included in the letter going out to these secretaries from the Young People's Departments of the Boards.
3. A letter to Presbyterial Presidents with a statement of the purpose and program of the conference, and a request for prayer for this conference at Presbyterial meetings.
4. Full information in regard to conference to be put in the hands of all Board speakers, including Field secretaries.

Miss Purves brought from the Program Committee a request for information as to what was included in the decision to have 10 Board representatives only. Were Board representatives on the program included in the Board limit of 10. After much discussion, and the realization that it would be almost impossible to limit the Board representation to 10, and include those who should be at the conference, it was voted that the Board representation upon the program should not be included in making up the number of 10 representatives from the Boards.

The Program Committee submitted the names of missionaries which they would like to have invited to the conference, Foreign, Miss Jean McKenzie, and Mrs Ellis of Persia; Home, Miss Helen Dingman, and Miss Helen Crawley. It was voted to accept this report of the Program Committee, and to ask the Boards to send these missionaries to the conference, to let the committee know as soon as possible if this could be done, and to suggest other names to the committee.

Elinor K. Purves,
Secretary pro tem.

February 21st, 1922.

The Ad Interim Committee met on Tuesday, February 21st, 1922. Present: Mrs. Lauderburgh, chairman, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Crosby, Miss Darrow and Miss Ogg.

The meeting was called for the purpose of considering reports received from the hotels in Excelsior Springs. Miss Ogg reported that the Elms had telegraphed that they could accommodate the conference on the dates we desire. There was also a telegram from the Commercial Club stating that they could make arrangements to have the conference at the [illegible] - a new hotel at Excelsior Springs. After discussion it was voted that we accept the rates of $5.00 per day made by the Elms Hotel.

Miss Ogg also reported that the railroad rates from New York to Kansas City were higher than those considered by the committee in making up the tentative cost of the conference.

It was voted that in case we have not already secured Dr. Gilkey to make the inspirational address of the conference that we do not ask him, but only ask men within the Presbyterian denomination to make this address.

Ellen S. Lauderburgh

1922

The Committee on Program for the Young Woman's Conference met on Tuesday, March 14, at 3 P.M., in Room 914. Present: Miss Purves, Mrs Louderbough, Mrs McCurdy, Miss Petrie, Miss Steinmetz, and Miss Tyler.

The meeting was opened with a period of prayer for the conference, after which Miss Purves reported that Miss MacKenzie had written that she would be unable to go to the conference, and that the question of finding someone to take her place was being taken up with the Foreign Board.

The chairman, also, reported that Dr. Gilkey's secretary had written that Dr. Gilkey would probably be able to accept the invitation to speak at the conference, and that a final answer would come in a few days

The commissions for discussion at the conference were then taken up, and a number of topics which had been formulated from the answers sent in to the questionnaire were discussed. There was much discussion as to whether these subjects were the proper ones, and how they they should be developed in their relationship to each other, and it was suggested that it might be a good thing to ask advice from Miss Flenniken of the Conference Department of the Y.W.C.A., who is an expert in planning conferences, and who had offered to give any help she could. It was decided that Miss Tyler should show the subjects under discussion for the conference to Miss Flenniken, get her opinion as to how to develop them, and ask her to come, if possible, to the next meeting of the committee.

It was, also, decided that Mrs McCurdy should see if the delegates to the conference from New York could come to the next committee meeting and help in the discussion on commissions.

The general statement sent out by the Y.W.C.A. in preparation for summer conferences was shown to the committee by Miss Tyler, and it was suggested that some such statement of aims and objectives of our conference be sent out to the delegates on receiving their acceptances.

It was voted to call a meeting of the committee on Tuesday, March 21st, to finish the work on the commissions, and that this meeting should be an all day meeting, if necessary.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Florence G. Tyler,
Acting secretary.

MINUTES

OF

THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON YOUNG WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

March 17, 1922.

The meeting of the entire Conference Committee was held in Room 914, March 17th, at 3 P. M. Present; Mrs. Jennings, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Fleming, Miss Steinmetz, Miss Ogg, Miss Petrie, Mrs. Louderbough, Miss Tyler, Miss Dawson, Miss Kerr, Miss Miller, Mrs. Waid, Miss Schultz. The meeting was called to order by the chairman, opened by a short devotional service led by Mrs. Bennett who took as her theme, "By prayer and supplication let your wants be made known". The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Committee on Time and Place.

Miss Ogg reported reservations made at "The Elms", Excelsior Springs, Mo. for three days; the date settled upon to be May 2-4. Miss Ogg told of the difficulties in train schedules owing to the nearness of the conference dates to Sunday, and it was moved and seconded that the conference be so arranged as not to necessitate the travel of the Board group from New York on Sunday. Carried. Voted that the opening time of the conference be left to the Committee on Time and Place and the Program Committee. Miss Ogg reported that travel, meals and three days at the hotel would cost at full railroad fare approximately $9,186, and if a rate of a fare and a half be obtained, $7,790; these figures not to be considered final.

Program Committee.

In the absence of the chairman, Mrs. Louderbough reported that the program as set up by the committee, subject to adjustment to train schedules, is as follows;

First Day

Morning: Opening devotional service, Mrs. Roys
Conference background, Mrs. Bennett
Young women's point of view, a delegate (?)
Afternoon: Group discussions.
Evening: "The Church and the Task". Address probably by Dr. Gilkey

Second Day

Morning: Devotional service, Miss Mackenzie
The task. Foreign, Mrs. Roys
Home, Mrs. Waid

Afternoon: Group discussions
Evening at dinner: Talk with many pictures from mission fields
Evening: Talks by four missionaries

Third Day

Morning: Devotional service, Miss Cameron
Findings of each group. Discussion by the whole group
Afternoon: Findings of the whole conference
Closing devotional services, Mrs. Roys.

Personnel Committee

Reported that invitations have gone out to 55 young women, one from Minnesota, one from Michigan and two from Philadelphia being withheld because of the uncertainty as to most desirable delegates. Mrs. McCurdy also reported the withdrawal of one name from California in the accepted list owing to the fact that three people had been chosen from one church. This was approved by the committee. Mrs. McCurdy also reported that about ten replies had been received, five of which were acceptances. The question arose as to whether, if a large number of regrets were received, we would have a conference made up of second choice, but the assurance was given by the Personnel Committee that they had a large number of splendid possibilities still in reserve.

Mrs. McCurdy reported that the following Board representatives had been chosen:

Miss Dawson
Miss Petrie
Miss Purves
Mrs. Louderbough
Miss Ogg
Mrs. Fleming
Mrs. McCurdy
Miss Kerr
Miss Steinmets
Miss Clark.

Ad-interim Committee.

Mrs. Louderbough reported that the Ad-interim Committee had voted that the speakers be not included in the ten Board representatives.

New Business

The chairman suggested that in view of the fact that the conference is so close that this general committee be dissolved. It was voted that the chairman of the three committees and three additional members chosen from those who are going to the conference be made the acting committee on young women's conference to choose its own chairman and act on all business between now and the time of the conference.

Here Mrs. Jennings being obliged to leave Mrs. Bennett took the chair.

It was voted that there be not less than five representatives from each Board present at the conference, it being understood that the original number of fourteen be kept if possible. Carried.

Voted that the Personnel Committee be given authority to fill vacancies caused by any regrets from Board representatives.

Voted that the Committee on Young Women's Conference be called Tuesday morning, March 21st at 10:15 to elect a chairman, the notices to be sent out by Mrs. Bennett.

The following persons were names by Mrs. Jennings who should, with the chairman of the three committees, form the Young Women's Conference Committee; Mrs. Fleming Mrs. Louderbough, Miss Kerr.

Respectfully submittee.

FLORENCE G. TYLER, Secretary.

MINUTES OF PROGRAM COMMITTEE FOR YOUNG WOMAN'S CONFERENCE.

1922

The Program Committee met on Tuesday, March 21st, at 10.30 A.M. in Room 914, 156 Fifth Avenue.

Present: Miss Purves, Chairman, Mrs. Jennings, Mrs. McCurdy, Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Waid, Mrs. Bryan, Miss Schultz, Miss Steinmetz, and Miss Tyler. There were also present as guests of the Committee: Miss Flenniken of the Conference Department of the Y. W. C. A., and Miss Polhemus, and Miss Husten, delegates to the Conference.

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Mrs. Jennings.

The Chairman gave a brief statement of the aims and purpose of the Conference for the benefit of the guests of the Committee, and then asked Miss Flenniken to give the Committee her idea as to how these aims could be best developed, and how the subjects for study should be arranged.

Miss Flenniken said that after looking over the outline of the subjects for discussion at the conference, she had thought that the general objective for the conference might be summed up as follows: How may the young women of the Presbyterian Church find their fullest expression, and render the most effective service to America and the world of to-day? And that this might be developed along two lines of thought, 1st, Purpose: 2nd, Organization. Miss Flenniken outlined briefly her conception of the set upof the forums for discussion, and raised the question as to whether all groups should study the same problem, or whether each group should study a different phase of the problem, and how these groups were to be correlated. It was suggested that there should be a daily meeting of the leaders of the groups, and that there should be a

Dean of the Forum, who would lead in the discussion among the leaders, and have an oversight of all the groupdiscussions. It was also suggested that there should be an advisory committee made up of Board representatives, who could be called upon by the different groups as needed.

Miss Flenniken proposed that the groupleaders should be elected by the conference, showing that this was good psychology, even though it was necessary to choose the leaders in advance, and just go through the form of an election.

There was discussion as to how the groups were to be made up, and what committees were necessary, and it was decided to have a program committee, and a findings committee, this last committee to be made up of the leaders of the groups, and one other member of each group ; this person to be chosen by the group.

The subjects for the commissions were then taken up, and there was much discussion as to how to study the purpose of the conference in relation to the detailed questions which would grow out of the definition of the purpose and the conclusion as to how this aim for the young women of the church could be most effectively reached. It was decided that the whole conference should begin at the very bottom of the whole question, and determine what it would like to have done by the young women of the church, and whether it was worth while for the young women to serve the world through the church, and, if so, how. This challenge, having been answered, the organization would follow. It was, therefore, decided to have all the groups study such a question on the first day, and on the second and third days to have each group take up a different question on organization growing out of the conclusion of the first day.

It was suggested that each group leader at least should have the information on her subject to discuss it intelligently, and it was decided to send such information along with a letter explaining the plan of the conference. It was also decided to send to each delegate a general statement of the aim and objective of the conference, and an outline of how the program was to be developed.

It was decided that the members of the Committee should try to word the subject for discussion by the whole conference on the first day, and bring in suggestions at the afternoon session.

After adjournment for luncheon, the Committee met at 2 P.M. and took up the matter of the topics for discussion by the commissions at the conference. After much discussion of the various phases of the problems to be taken into consideration by the conference, the following general outline was adopted as the plan for the discussion part of the conference:

1. Conference to be divided into five, possibly six, groups.
2. All groups to study on the first day the following question

   Do you think there is a place for young women in the work of the church of to-day? If so, how may they most effectively render that service?

3. Group study of the following topics on second day:
   a. Program or specific work. How inclusive, and how specialized?
      Relationship to other church work.
      Ideal program.
   b. Form of organization.
      National, sectional, local
      Relationships - Boards, Presbyterials,
      Other organizations in local church.
   c. Financial responsibility.
      Budget, what shall it include?
      Equal gifts, Home and Foreign?
      How much freedom, or self-determination in making budget is practicable?

It was decided that the commission on program should be a large one, with the privilege of subdividing the work according to the various parts of the program, if desirable. It was decided to finish the work on these commissions at another meeting of the Committee, and to bring in suggestions for the remaining commissions.

A letter was read from Dr. Gilkey,accepting the invitation to make the address on May 2nd, if he could take a train for Chicago that night. It was decided to have Dr. Gilkey speak late on Tuesday afternoon, and thus make it possible to have him at the conference. It was suggested that that evening could be given over to missionaries, or to the pictures on Girl Life at Home and Abroad.

The chairman reported that the Time and Place Committee had sent word that train connections might make it necessary to start the conference on Wednesday, May 3rd, instead of May 2nd. There was discussion of this, as such a plan would upset the program, and make it impossible to have Dr. Gilkey, and it was voted that it was the opinion of the Program Committee that the conference should start on Tuesday morning as previously decided, and that the Committee on Time and Place be asked to see if some way could be found to make this possible.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Florence G. Tyler.
Acting Secretary.

Bennett

Program Committee

Young Women's Conference. April 3, 1922

The Program Committee for the Young Women's Conference met at 10:30 A.M. in Room 914 on April 3, 1922.

Present: Miss Purves, Mrs. McCurdy, Miss Schultz, Miss Tyler, Mrs. Silverthorn, and Miss Kerr.

The Minutes of the last meeting were omitted.
The action of the Young Women's Conference Committee in changing the dates for the conference to May 9 - 12 in Chicago was reported.

Moved that we ask Dr. Gilkey to speak on May 10th if possible Carried.

Moved that if Dr. Gilkey cannot accept, Dr. McAfee, then Mr. Davis of the Hyde Park Church, be asked for this address. Carried.

__Missionaries__

Miss Purves reported that she hopes Miss Mackenzie will be able to come to the Conference as one of the two foreign missionaries.

Moved that Miss Tsai of Nanking, grand-daughter of a viceroy, who is to be at General Assembly, be invited to speak, it being understood the Foreign Board is to pay her expenses from the Pacific Coast. Carried.

Suggestions for others to be asked if one or both of these invitations are declined were Miss Mary Forman of Allahabad, India and Mrs. Ross Wilson, Lahore.

Miss Dingman will be present at the Conference.

Moved that Miss Purves again ask Miss Cameron to come. Carried.

Moved that Miss Bess Freeman of Mayaguez be an alternate for Miss Cameron. Carried.

Moved that if Miss Freeman cannot attend, Jean Huston, who will be at the Conference as a delegate, be used as second Home Board missionary. Carried.

Moved that if either Miss Cameron or Miss Mackenzie decline, the former action of the Committee - that they each lead a devotional service - automatically falls down, and Mrs. Fleming be asked to lead these services. Carried.

The possibility of pictures on "Girl Life at Home and Abroad" for the first night was discussed. Also the division of the delegates into prayer groups.

After discussing the presiding officers for the morning and evening sessions moved that Board members or other experienced workers preside at these sessions. Carried.

Moved that all letters should be signed by Chairman of Personnel Committee, Miss Purves working over the material with Mrs. McCurdy. Carried.

Miss Purves will write the commission Chairmen about questions for discussion.

Miss Schultz and Mrs. Louderbough were asked to work over the topics for the Commissions with Jean Huston.

The meeting adjourned.

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Secretary protem.

MINUTES OF PROGRAM COMMITTEE FOR YOUNG WOMAN'S CONFERENCE.

The Program Committee met on Tuesday, April 11, at 2:30 P.M., in Room 914, 156 Fifth Avenue.

Present: Miss Purves, chairman, Mrs Louderbough, Mrs Bryan, Mrs Fleming, Mrs Waid and Miss Schultz.

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Miss Purves.

The chairman reported a letter from Dr. Gilkey stating that he could not speak to the conference on the evening of May 10 because of a previous engagement. She, also, reported that Dr. Cleland McAfee had accepted the invitation of the committee for this evening of May 10.

The chairman reported having received a telegram from Miss Cameron saying that she will be glad to attend the conference if the committee and Board feel it advisable in view of the fact that she may not be able to secure a pass further that Ogden.

Voted: that Miss Cameron be brought to the conference even if the full pass cannot be secured.

Voted: that Mrs Fleming be asked to lead the second and third devotional services.

Voted: that Miss Clark be asked to present the stereopticon pictures on the first evening of the conference.

The subjects for the commissions were then taken up, and after discussion the outline as attached to the minutes was accepted to be presented to the conference committee.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Gertrude Schultz,

Secretary pro tem.

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Convention

April 12, 1922

Young Women's Conference Committee.

Present: Mrs. Fleming, Miss Dawson, Mrs. Roys, Miss Purves, Mrs. Louderbough
Mrs. McCurdy, Miss Ogg, Miss Kerr.

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The meeting opened with a circle of prayer for the conference, the delegates and all who are working on plans.

Mrs. Louderbough reported that Miss Cameron has made a request for prayer. Mrs. Fleming offered prayer for her and for the other missionaries and speakers.

Mrs. Roys reported the use of Miss Hodge's room from 12 to 1 for silent prayer for the conference. Miss Dawson suggested that the Conference might be a definite subject for prayer at the open meetings and the Annual meetings of both Boards.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted.

Time and Place

Miss Ogg reported on hotels. As a result of correspondence telegrams and other information it was

Moved that Miss Ogg telegraph Mrs. Silverthorn asking her to investigate the Chicago Beach and Hyde Park Hotels, leaving the decision with her. Carried.,

Program

Miss Purves reported for Program Committee that Miss Clark is to show pictures on "Girl Life" the first night., that Dr. McAfee has accepted the invitation to speak on "The Church and The Task", that Mrs. Roys and Mrs. Fleming are to take the four devotional services.

She also recommended for the Committee that there be five committees, a Program Committee composed of four girls and two advisory members, a committee of Group Commission Chairman, of whom Miss Clark is to be Dean, a Findings Committee composed of the group leaders and one other chosen from each group by the group, an Advisory Committee composed of the Board representatives, and a committee on Prayer Groups.

The following list of presiding officers was suggested:
May 9th P.M. Mrs. Jennings
May 10 A.M. Mrs. Fleming
P.M. Mrs. McCurdy
May 11 A.M. Miss Purves
P.M. Mrs. Louderbough
May 12 A.M.) Mrs. Bennett
P.M. (

Miss Cameron and Miss Dingman are to be the Home Board missionaries, with Miss Tsai and probably Miss Mackenzie for the Foreign

Moved that the report of the Program Committee be accepted. Carried.

Moved that Miss Ogg serve as treasurer of the Conference. Carried.

Miss Ogg reported that she will be unable to go to Chicago.

Moved that Mrs. Bryan be recommended to Personnel Committee to fill

Miss Ogg's place. Carried.

Moved that the Boards be requested to turn over to the treasurer of the Young Women's Conference the $5,000 voted by each Board in order that all bills may be paid. from one fund. Carried.

Moved that if Mrs. Bryan accepts the invitation she be asked to serve as treasurer of the Committee. Carried.

Mrs. Fleming suggested that all leaders, speakers and commission chairmen come together on the afternoon of the 9th for prayer for the conference and for a unification of messages.

It was suggested that Mrs. McCurdy as Personnel Chairman go early to Chicago to arrange rooms and other details

Mrs. McCurdy was asked to secure a song leader and pianist and see that hymn books are on hand.

Mrs. Louderbough and Miss Purves are to collect pictures on "Girl Life" for the first night.

Mrs. Reps suggested that Miss Cameron be invited to the hotel a day ahead in order that she may rest.

It was suggested that a statement about expenses be sent to each delegate saying that they will be reimbursed in Chicago unless they feel the money must be advanced.

Miss Purves and Mrs. Louderbough presented suggestions for letters to all delegates about the purpose of the Conference and to Commission Chairmen about the topic each one is being asked to lead. Miss Purves asked to prepare these letters.

The meeting adjourned.

Marcia Kerr
Secretary.

Young Women's Conference Committee

April 17, 1922

Present: Members of the Committee - Mrs. Louderbough, Miss Ogg, Mrs. McCurdy, and Miss Kerr. Miss Dawson, Mrs. Roys, Miss Steinmetz and Miss Petrie were also present. Mrs. Waid came for a few moments at the end of the meeting.

Absent: Mrs. Fleming and Miss Purves.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Louderbough acting Chairman, at 10:25 All present joined in a circle of prayer for the conference, remembering especially certain definite subjects which had been mentioned.

Time and Place

Miss Ogg reported on Mrs. Silverthorn's trip of inspection to Chicago Beach and Hyde Park Hotels. The former hotel has a very attractive room, the North Cafe, which may be available. The prices quoted by Mrs. Silverthorn after her visit are higher than those in a letter to her. The expense at Chicago Beach would be about $400 more than at Hyde Park.

Moved and seconded that the Hyde Park Hotel be chosen. The motion was lost.

Moved and seconded that the Chicago Beach Hotel be chosen, provided the North Cafe is available for our meetings and the room rates first quoted are again offered. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the Committee record its grateful appreciation to Miss Ogg for her work for the Conference. Carried.

Mrs. McCurdy reported that a number of things had occured to her that she would like to see carried out at the Conference.

1. An exhibit of literature, striking facts, statistics, etc. about Young Woman's Societies and Westminster Guild.
2. A Bulletin Board with daily announcements.
3. Full information about trains and reservations.
4. Someone definitely responsible for seeing that delegates are acquainted with each other.
5. Any criticism of literature, plans, etc. to be collected for use at headquarters.

Moved that the Young People's Secretaries be asked to prepare an exhibit as suggested above, using material from other denominations if desirable. Carried.

The other matters mentioned by Mrs. McCurdy were also noted and will receive attention.

Mrs. McCurdy will prepare and sign the letters to delegates about hotel and trains.

Miss Purves will sign the letters to delegates on the purpose and plan of the conference.

Meeting adjourned to meet at 2 P.M. on April 28th in Room 914.

Marcia Kerr
Secretary

YOUNG WOMEN'S CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
April 28, 1922

Present: Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Roys, Miss Dawson, Mrs. Waid, Mrs. Louderbough, Mrs. McCurdy, Miss Ogg, Miss Purves, Miss Petrie, Miss Steinmetz, Miss Clark, Miss Kerr.

Mrs. Fleming presided. She had just returned from the Y.W.C.A. Convention in Hot Springs and spoke of the splendid spirit in that gathering. Mrs. Roys read telegrams received from Miss Helen Miller, Mrs. Finley and Mrs. Richardson expressing hope in our Young Women's Conference. Mrs. Fleming then lead in the devotional period and all took part in prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Time and Place

Miss Ogg reported that the telegram and letter received from the Chicago Beach Hotel were not satisfactory in all details. So upon consultation with as many committee members as she could reach she telegraphed to the Hyde Park Hotel, and received a satisfactory answer.

Mrs. Fleming suggested that 3 P.M. on Tuesday May 9th in Chicago be the time for the next meeting of the full committee.

Moved that we invite the Commission leaders to meet with the Committee at that time. Carried.

Personnel

Mrs. McCurdy reported on the delegates, giving items of interest about some of them.

Moved that the full list, with reasons for choice, be sent with the Minutes to all the Board representatives. Carried.

Mrs. McCurdy reported that the Board of Publication and Sabbath School Work is much interested in our Conference and would like to send as a representative their Girls' Work Secretary to "listen in". Mrs. Bennett traced the matter of relationship with this Board, and the Committee decided not to extend an invitation now since the purpose of the Conference is to get an expression from the girls, not to work out a definite program. After the Findings have been prepared, there will be opportunities for consultation and cooperation.

Program

Miss Purves reported the following Commission leaders.

Commission	I.	Miss Jane Harris
"	II.	Miss Marian St.John
"	III.	Miss Elizabeth Gililan
"	IV.	Miss Blanche Wachob
"	V.	Miss Marianne Rea

The four missionaries are to be Miss Jean Mackenzie, Miss Christiana Tsai, Miss Donaldina Cameron, Miss Helen Dingman.

Moved that a copy of the Program and the subjects for Commissions be included with the Minutes. Carried.

Moved that the Board representatives be assigned to Commissions by Miss Clark, who is Dean of Commission leaders, with the understanding that no more than two are to meet with each group, and that no changes are made except by Miss Clark. Carried.

The matter of presiding officers at the different sessions of the Conference was left to the Program Committee with full power.

Moved that Mrs. McCurdy be assistant treasurer of the Young Women's Conference Committee. Carried.

Meeting adjourned

At an adjourned meeting of the Young Women's Conference Committee

Moved that, in the event of the Program Committee approving the suggestion, Miss Clark, Dean of Commission leaders be taken to Chicago as essential to the Program. Carried.

Personnel Committee recommended that in the event of the Program Committee approving the above action, Mrs. McAfee be added to the list of Foreign Board representatives in place of Miss Clark. This was seconded and carried.

Adjourned to meet in Chicago May 9th at 3 P.M. in the Hyde Park Hotel.

At a meeting of the Program Committee following the adjourned meeting of the Young Women's Conference Committee, the request of the Committee regarding Miss Clark was accepted.

Marcia Kerr
Secretary-

Mrs Bennett

Young Women's Conference Committee

June 2, 1922

The Young Women's Conference Committee met on June 2, 1922 in Room 1024 at 10:30.

Present: of the Committee: Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Louderbough, Miss Purves, Miss Ogg, Miss Kerr. Other Board representatives at the Conference - Miss Dawson, Mrs. Roys, Miss Petrie, Miss Steinmetz, Mrs. Waid, Miss Clark.

Mrs. Fleming opened the meeting with a few verses from the Bible and prayer.

The Chairman reported that although the Committee had planned to present the Findings for the first time on June 5th at the joint meeting of the Woman's Boards, the Executive Committee of the Foreign Board had made request that they be read at the meeting on May 31st. This request had been granted. Since the Home Board members were not given this opportunity to hear the Findings, copies had been mailed to them.

Moved that a Committee be appointed by the Chairman to prepare a full record of the proceedings of the Conference committee previous to, during, and after the days in Chicago to be held for Miss Hodge, the absent president of the Foreign Board. Carried.

Miss Ogg, Treasurer, presented the following report

Receipts		
Woman's Board of Foreign Missions	$5,000.00	
Woman's Board of Home Missions	5,000.00	
Cash from members for charges on bill	17.21	
Charges on hotel bill deducted from checks to delegates	6.46	
		$10,023.67
Disbursements.		
Railroad fares	$3,708.87	
Pullman fares	908.14	
Meals on train	250.24	
Incidentals, including tips at Hotel Hyde Park	115.35	
Hyde Park Hotel, Chicago	792.87	
Stationery, postage, typing, etc.	174.85	
Charges on hotel bill, personal to delegates	33.47	
Lantern for lecture, first evening	10.00	
	5,993.79	
Received back	23.67	5,970.12
Balance		$ 4,053.55

Moved to accept the report of the Treasurer with grateful thanks. Carried.

Mrs. Waid read the Preamble as prepared by her for the Joint Board meeting June 5th. A few changes were suggested.

Moved to accept the Preamble with the suggested changes. Carried.

Moved that the Boards vote on what part of the Findings they may wish read. Carried.

Miss Purves then presented the Recommendations prepared by the Sub-Committee, composed of Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Waid, Miss Purves, Miss Clark, and Miss Steinmetz, based on the Findings.

These recommendations were taken up seriatim and appear in these minutes in the form finally approved.

Mrs Bennett

Young Women's Conference Committee
June 5th, 1922
9:30 A.M.

The Young Women's Conference Committee with the members of the original committee invited to attend, met in Room 1024 at 9:30 on June 5th preceeding the meetings of the two Boards.

Mrs. Bennett was made temporary chairman until Mrs. Fleming came. She opened the devotional service with several taking part in prayer.

Present: Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Roys, Miss Dawson, Mrs. Jennings, Mrs. McAfee, Mrs. Louderbough, Miss Parker, Miss Ogg, Miss Lobenstine, Miss Purves, Miss Petrie, Miss Schultz, Miss Steinmetz, Miss Kerr.

Mrs. Fleming explained the program as planned for the joing Board meeting, called to consider the Findings, the Preamble, prepared by Mrs. Waid, the impressions of the delegates as gleaned from letters, reading of the Findings (if the Boards wish this) and the recommendations based on the Findings.

Mrs. Fleming then read the Preamble.
Moved that it be accepted. Carried.
The recommendations as adopted at the meeting on June 2 were read by Mrs. Fleming, who asked for corrections and suggestions.

Mrs. Bennett suggested since it was worded negatively that the preamble be changed.

Moved that there be no preamble to the recommendations. The motion was lost.

Mrs. Bennett was asked to prepare a new preamble before presentation at the joint Board meeting, which is as follows:

"In order that the largest value be conserved, the Committee on the Young Women's Conference recommends to the Woman's Boards of Home and Foreign Missions the adoption of the following resolutions.

It presents these recommendations with full appreciation of the work of the Committee of General Assembly on the Reorganization of the Boards and agencies of the Presbyterian Church and possible changes in the administration of the work of the Woman's Boards that the recommendations of this Committee may eventually cause. The Committee feels that at this time the particular responsibility of the Boards is in conserving to the full the service to the Church of the women and young women, and based its recommendations upon the adoption by Assembly of the following statement:

> '6. That great care be taken to conserve and develop the invaluable work done by women in the churches throughout the country in the interest of missions - (1) by maintenance of the Woman's Local, Presbyterial and Synodical Societies, and (2) by affording these societies opportunity to make nominations to the Board for membership on the Board.

The Committee recognizes the service which has been given to the Church for many years through the Woman's Board of Home Missions and the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions and is fully aware of the spiritual and educational value of the women's missionary program in the individual church.

The committee appreciates the large moral and financial responsibilities which these Boards have assumed for enterprises established on the Home and Foreign Mission Fields and realizes that the support of these have been secured only through the efficient and carefully co-ordinated organization of the woman - synodically, presbyterially and locally.

> The Committee therefore recommends that these agencies be maintained at their present level of service and be held to their present standard of responsibility in order that the program of the local church and the work assumed on the Mission Field shall not suffer the period of the reorganization of the Boards.'

It also recalls the charge of the Committee on Reorganizations under date of May 26th, 1922, that Committee officially communicated with the Boards of the Church and urged that

> 'in the meantime, in the interest of the life and progress of the church, allow us to urge that it is most essential for the work of every Board and Agency to proceed along established lines, with the greatest possible energy, and enthusiasm."

Your Committee feels that the above statements fortell the continuance of a distinct place for the specific work of the organizations of women and young women and therefore feels that the present responsibility of the Woman's Boards is to continue and enlarge these agencies in such ways as will secure fullest and most valuable cooperation to those in the constituency toward whom the service of these Boards are directed.

The Committee reiterates, therefore, its desire to offer for immediate adoption the following recommendations:"

Mrs. Webb asked that in recommendation 5 a "joint letter" be sent by the General Secretaries. This suggestion was accepted.

Miss Petrie asked that a statement go to Presbyterial and Synodical Secretaries for Young Woman's Societies and Westminster Guild. Miss Miller prepared this recommendation to be inserted as number 6 which was accepted as follows:

> "That a joint letter be sent by the General Secretaries of the two Boards to the Synodical and Presbyterial secretaries of the Young Womans Societies and Westminster Guild, outlining the action of the two Boards upon the above recommendation."

Mrs. Bennett suggested a rewording for Number 2 which defined the work of the Committee of 16. This was accepted as follows:

> "That the Boards appoint a committee which shall study the Findings of the Young Women's Conference, and from these outline the steps by which (1) the present organization for young women can be so modified and enlarged as to form a unified, national organisation of Presbyterian young women, (2) promotional field work shall be planned as shall make possible a direct presentation of these larger plans to the young women of the Church and (3) scope shall be given for the larger development of young women's work as growth may show to be advisable.
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> This Committee shall report to a joint meeting of the two Boards in the early Fall."

The meeting then adjourned so that the members could go to the meetings of their respective Boards.

Marcia Kerr
Secretary.